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Classified By: DCM Susan L. Ziadeh for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) Pol/Econ Chief August 28 delivered Ref A demarche concerning donor assistance to Lebanon to MFA Assistant Under Secretary for Coordination and Follow Up Shaikh Abdul Aziz

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bin Mubarak Al Khalifa. Shaikh Abdul Aziz confirmed that Minister of Information/Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Mohammed Abdul Ghaffar would represent Bahrain at the August 31 Stockholm Conference. He said Bahrain had no plans to announce a pledge of assistance at the conference in addition to those it had already made (Ref B). He commented, "We always have an open mind, but it's hard to always have an open wallet."

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